

Application No. 09/605,001
Amendment dated January 28, 2008
Reply to Office Action of January 22, 2008

REMARKS

In reply to the Office Action and pursuant to the Examiner's request, Applicant cancelled claims 130-132.

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are patentable. Applicant submits that an Interference Proceeding should be instituted between the present application and U.S. Patent No. 6,083,225 to Winslow et al. as allowed claims 105-129 of the present application are substantially similar to claims 1-3 and 5-29 of the '225 patent.

To the extent any extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this reply, such extension is hereby respectfully requested. If there are any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed herewith, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-3726.

Respectfully submitted,

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